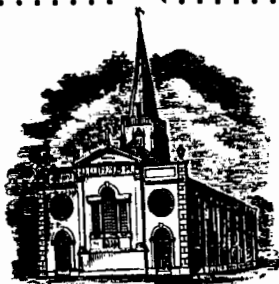


TRAVEL



St. John's Church, Gloucester.

NOTES

A PAGE FROM AN EARLY NINETEENTH CENTURY ROAD BOOK.

The page is from the 1825 edition of Paterson's Roads (by Mogg). Routes are indicated (with distances) in the centre column, with directions for left or right turn, and a warning about bridges (and though not here, the occasional turnpike gate). Places of interest along, or close to, the route are featured at the side.

The extract from an advertisement for Tanner & Baylis is from S Y Griffiths, New Historical Description of Cheltenham & its Vicinity, 1826. The Tanner family had an establishment at the Road House near the Bear Inn, Rodborough Common (as P H Fisher records), where the Niblett firm had theirs. For more details of the Tanner business, see N Herbert, Road Travel & Transport in Gloucestershire, briefly reviewed elsewhere in this issue.

CROSS [452] ROADS.

CHIPPENHAM TO GLOUCESTER, BY MALMESBURY, TETBURY, MINCHIN HAMPTON, AND STROUD.			
<p>at the same time, and continues to flow with great rapidity for several days, when the whole valley, in which the houses are placed, is completely filled. This high flood, or bursting of the springs, is called <i>Skireburns</i>, and may certainly be ranked as a geological phenomenon.</p> <p>TETBURY, 1 m. distant, <i>Estcourt House, Thomas Grimstone Bucknell Estcourt, Esq.</i>; and <i>High Grove, J. P. Paul, Esq.</i></p> <p>UPTON GROVE, Upton House, <i>J. W. Biederman, Esq.</i>; and a little farther, <i>Chevenage House, J. De la Field Phelps, Esq.</i></p> <p>MINCHIN HAMPTON, 1 m. before, <i>Gatcombe Park, O. Ricardo, Esq.</i>; $\frac{1}{2}$ m. distant from <i>Minchin Hampton, Thuscombe, A. Townsend, Esq.</i>; and 3 m. distant, <i>Woodchester Park, Lord Ducie</i>; 2 m. beyond <i>Minchin Hampton, Hill House, Robert Snow Paul, Esq.</i></p> <p>STROUD, before, <i>Froomhall, W. Halliday, Esq.</i>; and <i>Lodge-more, R. Cook, Esq.</i>; on left of <i>Stroud, Far Hill House, Joseph Grazebrook, Esq.</i>; <i>Gannicox, — Jacomb, Esq.</i>; <i>Pagan Hill, Charles Offley, Esq.</i>; beyond which is <i>Farm Hill, S. Clissold, Esq.</i>; and <i>Browns Hill House, E. P. Carruthers, Esq.</i>; near <i>Stroud, Stratfords, Joseph Watts, Esq.</i></p>	From Gloucest.	From Chippen.	
		17 $\frac{1}{4}$	15 $\frac{3}{4}$
		15	18
		14	19
		13	20
		9 $\frac{3}{4}$	23 $\frac{1}{2}$
		9	24
		8 $\frac{1}{2}$	24 $\frac{1}{2}$
		7	26
		3 $\frac{1}{2}$	29 $\frac{1}{2}$
		$\frac{1}{2}$	32 $\frac{1}{2}$
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To Cirencester 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ m. }
 to Dursley 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. }
 Upton Grove
 Avening
 to Dursley 10 m. }
 Gatcombe Park,
 Entrance
 Forward to Cheltenham 15 m.
 * MINCHIN
 HAMPTON
 To Cheltenham 16 m. }
 To Cirencester 10 m. }
 to Bath 19 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. }
 to Wotton under Edge
 9 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. }
 1 m. farther,
 To Cirencester 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ m. }
 * Rodborough
 to Dursley 9 m. }
 to Berkeley 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. }
 Cross the river Stroud,
 and the Thames and
 Severn canal.
 * STROUD
 To Cheltenham, by }
 Birdlip, 13 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. }
 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. farther,
 Turn on right, to
 Salmon's Mill
 $\frac{1}{2}$ m. farther,
 To Painswick $\frac{1}{2}$ m., thence }
 to Cheltenham 10 $\frac{1}{4}$ m. }
 Chippenham to PAINSWICK
 26 $\frac{1}{2}$ m.
 Chippenham to * CHELTEN-
 HAM 36 $\frac{1}{2}$ m.
 Pitchcombe
 Whaddon
 Junction of the Road
 to Bristol 32 $\frac{1}{2}$ m.
 to * GLOUCESTER

MINCHIN HAMPTON
 Minchin Hampton Park, *W. Whitehead, Esq.*; 1 m. distant, *Hyde Court, J. Hinde Pelly, Esq.*; and 2 m. beyond *Minchin Hampton, Bownham House, G. Strachey, Esq.*

RODBOROUGH, near, The Fort on *Rodborough Hill*, built by the late *Capt. Hawker*.


STROUD. The Grange, *G. Wathen, Esq.*; and *Copsen Hill, Dr. Darke*; 2 m. distant from *Stroud, Lypiat Park, John Lewis, Esq.*

PAINSWICK is a small market-town, but not much frequented: it is situated on the southern acclivity of *Sponebed Hill*, and composed of irregular buildings, chiefly inhabited by persons employed in the clothing trade. The church is dedicated to *St. Mary*; it consists of a nave, chancel, and side-aisle, with a tower and spire at the west end, rising to the height of 174 feet. This building partakes of that mixed character of architecture, so frequently to be found in religious edifices: the south aisle is modern, having *Doric pillars*, with corresponding capitals; and the entrance is beneath a portico of the *Ionic order*. On the summit of *Sponebed Hill* is an ancient fortification, doubly entrenched, called *Kimsbury Castle, King's Barrow*, and *Castle Godwin*; it includes about three acres, and is as nearly square as the nature of the ground would permit. Roman coins have been found here at different periods, together with a sword, and some heads of spears, greatly corroded.

WHADDON, $\frac{1}{2}$ m. beyond, *Matson House, Mrs. Niblett*.

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